

## All at Sea on Whisky, Wilson Seeks the Facts

Secretary to Set Out for Western Distilleries,  
With Chief Chemist Wiley, on Wednes-  
day for Information.

Secretary Wilson of the Department of Agriculture has determined to visit Western distilleries to get information about the methods of making whisky and of manufacturing blends, compounds, and imitations that are sold as whisky.

The Secretary, with Solicitor George P. McCabe of the department, and Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, chief chemist, will leave Washington Wednesday and will visit the distilleries at Terre Haute, Ind., and Peoria, Ill. At both these points are big whisky establishments, with heavy investments of capital.

Secretary Wilson has not finished the hearings of representatives of whisky

interests. He has heard from a large number already, but the whisky men are stirred up over the tentative rulings of the department to the effect that nothing but straight whisky can be labeled "whisky."

It appears the makers of straight whisky sell much of their product to the mixers and blenders and that the distilleries, therefore, want nothing done that they believe will hurt the sale of blended and compound goods.

Discussing the matter yesterday, Secretary Wilson said there was widespread misinformation about whiskies and the department was determined to know the facts and enforce the pure food law in the light of those facts. Already, an investigation has been made of Baltimore distilleries.

## PRODUCES SLEEP WITH ELECTRICITY

French Professor Sets Paris  
Agog With New Dis-  
covery.

PARIS, Dec. 29.—All Paris is talking about the new discovery made by Dr. Tuffier, of the Beaujon Hospital, which consists of producing artificial sleep by electricity. It is called "La Sommeil Electrique." This discovery is a great event in the medical and surgical world, because it will do away with the need for anesthetics, which are mostly dangerous to the patient.

It is an electric battery which produces a current of 40,000 milliamperes in strength. The current does not affect the heart but exercises inhibitory action on the pain nerves of the brain. Professor Tuffier has demonstrated that he is also able to produce by the same battery artificial epilepsy.

## WOMAN OUTWITS MAN'S AMENDMENT

Minnesota Teachers Pass  
Resolutions Favoring Sim-  
plified Spelling.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 29.—The State Association of Teachers today passed resolutions favoring President Roosevelt's reform spelling and ordered that copies be sent to every textbook publisher in the country.

Twelve hundred women teachers favored the resolutions. One man teacher nearly killed the measure by a cleverly worded amendment that the association approve of Roosevelt's action in rescinding his order. A woman teacher had to talk for fifteen minutes to show her associates the amendment carried a "woodchuck."

## DETECTS THIEF FROM ST. PAUL'S

Workman on Dome of Ca-  
thedral Spies Operations  
In Warehouse.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A thief has been curiously detected in the act by a man at work on the dome of St. Paul's Cathedral. In a top room of one of the big warehouses which surround the cathedral, the workman watched an individual undress, put on a new suit of clothes and cover them with his own clothes, which were rather shabby.

Descending from his lofty observation post, the workman went to the warehouse and gave information, with the result that the quick-change artist, who was the janitor's son, was arrested as he came downstairs, looking rather bulky. He would have got away with the goods if his curious action had not been noticed from the dome of the cathedral.

## Miss Madeline Goddard Weds Marquis D'Andigne

Brilliant Nuptial Event Takes Place in the Goddard  
Mansion in Providence, R. I., Two Cere-  
monies Being Performed.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 29.—At noon today, in the beautifully decorated music room of Hopeton House, the Goddard mansion on Hope street, Miss Madeline Ives Goddard, only daughter of Col. and Mrs. Robert Hale Ives Goddard, was wedded to the Marquis D'Andigne, of Paris, France.

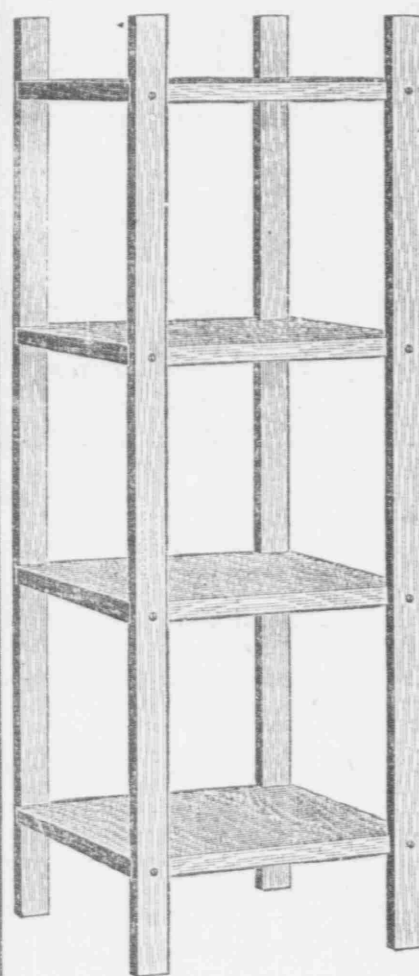
The nuptial knot was tied by the Rev. Father Owen F. Clarke, pastor of the Church of the Holy Name. Father Clarke was assisted by a choir boy.

Immediately afterward Associate Justice John T. Blodgett, of the Rhode Island supreme court, performed the civil ceremony in the library, where the marriage contract was signed.

The maid of honor was Miss Mary Powder, of Cincinnati, cousin of the bride, and the best man was Robert H. I. Goddard, Jr., her brother.

Miss Goddard wore a lace-covered yellow moire robe de chambre, said to be the most beautiful made by Worth, of Paris, and the bridal veil of her mother. She eschewed jewels, as the bulk of her jewelry was left in France.

Detectives were stationed on the grounds to guard the presents, which were numerous and costly. A large number of presents await the couple in France. These include a rivière of diamonds from Colonel Goddard, diamond tiara from Mrs. Goddard, and a full set of small silver sables, cape and muff, from both parents; diamond and ruby brooch and necktie, Marquis D'Andigne; diamond ring and bracelet, Marquis D'Andigne; jewels, Mrs. William Goddard; silver basket, Mrs. John Nicholas Brown; English silver tray, Mrs. Harold Brown.



Large and strong Weathered Oak Magazine Rack; exactly like illustration; a limited number only; no mail or phone orders; has never sold under \$1.50.

**98c**

High-brush Cocoa Door Mats, best quality; sell everywhere at 50c. For Monday, reduced to..... **29c**

Best Oilcloth, 4-4 and 8-4 width; a large variety of new patterns and colorings; selling always at 33c. Special (not laid)..... **25c**

**Store Hours**  
Are Now from  
8:30 a. m. to  
5:30 p. m.;  
Close Satur-  
day Night  
Promptly at 9.

**Hechts'**  
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**Holiday De-  
mands Always  
Reduce Ready  
Cash; Here  
You Can Pay  
for All Pur-  
chases Later.**

## GIRLS' DRESSES

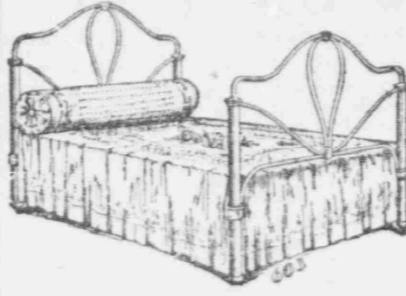
An extra well made lot of Girls' Dresses in plaids, checks, and dots; fine for school and everyday wear; sizes 6 to 14 years; none has ever sold under \$1.00. Reduced for Mon- day to..... **79c**



HIGH-GRADE GENUINE MAHOGANY VENEER ROCKING CHAIR, upholstered in green Verona; full spring seat, actually worth \$19; reduced to..... **\$5.98**



HIGH-GRADE COMSTOCK PIANOS, SOLD BY ALL EXCLUSIVE piano stores at \$300, are here at \$198! And we will place one in your home on payments of \$1 weekly. We also furnish absolutely free rubber cover, silk lambréquin, polished stool, and one year's tuning—all for..... **\$198**



CONTINUOUS POST METAL Bed; very rigid and strongly made; a remarkable bargain at..... **\$1.98**



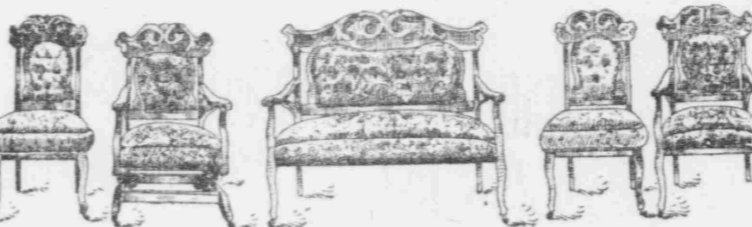
SIX-FOOT GOLDEN OAK EXTENSION Table; \$242 top when closed; worth \$6.99; now..... **\$4.89**



FULL TUFTED VELOUR UP- holstered Couches; best construction; sold reg- ularly at \$10; reduced to..... **\$7.69**



HIGH-GRADE GOLDEN OAK BEDROOM SUITE, SIM- ilar to illustration; fine French plate mirror in both dresser and washstand; roll head and foot on bed; American flake quartered oak panels; value is \$58.50; special at..... **\$44.69**



5-PIECE MAHOGANY FINISHED PARLOR SUITE in new and handsome pattern; upholstered in fine mercer- ized damask; low priced at \$25; a very remarkable sale at..... **\$16.89**



GOLDEN OAK CHIFFONIER; 4 large, 2 small drawers; square French beveled mirror; finely finished; all brass trimmings; special at..... **\$9.89**

# We Have Just Consummated a Remarkable Purchase of Women's High-grade Skirts, Suits and Coats!

Another great buying victory is to be credited to the Hecht Stores, whose ever-alert purchasing organization, backed by ample cash, has just scored one of the most important trade triumphs of the year. It is nothing less than the purchase of the entire made-up stock and sample lines of Baltimore's leading makers of Women's Wear, Messrs. Blumenthal & Langfeld, consisting of Women's Skirts, Suits, and Coats. These garments are all up to the very minute in style, and are tailored in an unapproachable manner. And the policy of this store, as every person knows, is to share every buying advantage with its patrons, so

## Tomorrow We Place on Sale This Great Purchase at About 50c on the Dollar!

No woman can afford to stay away from this sale, for never in the history of this store or any other store have such values been offered right at the height of the season. Note these—

Large lot of extra well tailored and stylish Skirts, in fine blue and black Panamas, medium and dark gray plaids and checks; these skirts are in our regular stock marked to sell at \$5.98; we bought them so that we can make the price..... **\$2.98**

An extremely stylish and high-grade lot of man-made Skirts, in finest broadcloth, Panama, and voiles; colors are brown, blue, gray, mixtures, and plaids; pleated form-fitting styles; the voiles in black only; these skirts were made to sell at \$9.98; a marvelous bargain at..... **\$5.98**

Rich and elegant Dress Skirts, in finest Chiffon Panamas, imported cheviots, fancy Panamas, light and dark grays and plaids; blue, black, gray, and brown; these splendid garments were made to be sold at \$12.98 and \$14.98; we are able to price them..... **\$7.98**

Very stylish Suits in cheviots and mannish mixed effects; new Eton and box styles; blue, black, and gray mix- tures; we have never before offered these suits under \$19.98; for this great sale we price them..... **\$9.98**

Finely tailored Suits, in best broadcloth, imported cheviots, novelty fabrics, &c., single-breasted, close-fitting, Prince Chap, and box effects; blue, black, brown, and gray mix- tures; these are suits we've always sold at \$29.98; you save an even \$15.00 in this remarkable sale..... **\$14.98**

Several hundred finely tailored Coats, in the latest Tourist ef- fects; light and dark gray, checks, plaids, and stripes; fifty inches long; not one of these coats is worth less than \$16.98; they are all brand new from the hands of the tailors, and are a wonderful bargain at..... **\$7.98**

Elegantly tailored and very fine quality Black Broadcloth Coats, in the stylish 50-inch length; they are made with velvet collar, and are handsomely trimmed with silk braid; these coats are among the finest garments of the sea- son; they retail usually at \$20 to \$24; our sale price..... **\$14.98**

Included in the sale are the balance of the fine Taffeta and Japan Silk Waists; also net waists made over silk; the silk waists in black, white, and all the light evening shades; all are new and handsome styles; sold usually at \$6.98 and \$8.98; all to go at..... **\$3.98**

An extra good lot of Taffeta Silk Underskirts in black and va- rious colors and two-tone effects; these skirts are made of soft and serviceable taffeta, finely ruffled and accordion pleated, with extra dust ruffle; the value is \$6.98. Our price..... **\$4.98**

## Domestics Underpriced

Unbleached Muslin; fine, soft, and smooth qual- ity; never sold regularly under 5c yard. Special at..... **3 3/4c**

Bleached Cotton; extra good and serviceable quality; free from dressing; has always sold for 7c yard. Now..... **5 3/4c**

52-inch wide Table Felt; soft and fleecy qual- ity; has been selling regularly at 25c yard. We reduce it to..... **19c**

Bleached Bed Sheets; size 54x90; made of ex- tra good quality cotton; entirely free from dress- ing; 3-inch hem; slightly mussed; sold usually at 49c. Not over 2 to a buyer..... **29c**

## Men's Clothing Going at Half Price

In this crowd-bringing clearance of Men's Suits we have included every line of men's clothing where the selling has brought the quanti- ties down to 1, 2, and 3 of a kind. Included are the plain blacks as well as the mixed and fancy effects—the plain blacks in sizes 36, 37, 38, and 44, the fancy effects mostly in sizes 34, 35, and 36, with a few 37 and 38 (the small sizes will fit young men 17 to 20). Also the English Walk- ing Suits at half price. They are in both the single and double-breasted styles. This is beyond question one of the most extraordinary sacrifices of clothing ever brought to pass in Washington. Come promptly.

All the \$10.00 Suits.....	\$5.00	All the \$20.00 Suits.....	\$10.00
All the \$12.50 Suits.....	\$6.25	All the \$22.50 Suits.....	\$11.25
All the \$15.00 Suits.....	\$7.50	All the \$25.00 Suits.....	\$12.50
All the \$17.50 Suits.....	\$8.75	All the \$30.00 Suits.....	\$15.00

Full lines of Men's Full Dress and Tuxedo Suits, white and fancy Vests, Prince Albert Coats and Vests, etc.

## For the New Year Dinner

Finest Fruit Cake, 2 to 7 pounds.....15c  
Chocolate Creams, pound.....10c  
Crystallized Ginger; fancy baskets.....25c  
Pressed Figs; 2-pound boxes.....30c  
Mixed Nuts and English Walnuts.....12 1/2c  
Tomato Catsup.....3 1/2c  
Preserves; 3-pound stone crocks.....19c  
Celery Chow-chow; large bottle.....7 1/2c  
Onyx Coffee.....19c  
Egg-o-See.....7 1/2c